

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 45-78 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, Claims 1-3 and 45-55, drawn to a method and apparatus for playing and reproducing a digital file using an encryption process, classified in class 705, subclass 51.

Group II, Claims 56-78, drawn to a method and apparatus for delivering a digital file using an encryption process based upon an attribute, classified in class 705, subclass 56.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-3 and 45-55.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Hyung N. Sohn, Registration No 44,346 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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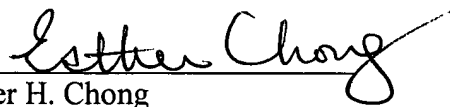
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- ☒ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☒ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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